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A different look for Valentine's Day.

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Evans rejects petition

By Larry Bartlett
Spartan Daily Staff Writer

SJSU employees Martha O'Connell and Mike Ham are angry. Armed with sheets of petitions, they marched into President J. Handel Evans' office hoping to add his name to the list of over 100 fellow employees who wish to donate their upcoming salary raises to rehire others who were laid off in 1992.

"There is a moral imperative to rehire employees who are losing their homes before any raises are given," O'Connell, a clerical worker, said. "We are going to provide Evans with suffi-

cient financial justification to bring back these employees."

Ham worked for over 10 years as a supervising painter at SJSU. He was laid off in July 1992 as a result of budget reductions and was rehired for a six-week period to do various painting jobs. Tomorrow is his last day.

"It's been a blow to my ego. My family has been substantially crippled and I almost lost my home," Ham said. "The lack of money has put stress on everyone and our family fabric has been weakened."

The pair presented Evans with the petition and asked for his signature.

"I'm not going to sign it because this is not the way to solve the problem. I understand your feelings and applaud your concerns, but this would have to be a perennial commitment," Evans said. "If this were enacted, and I'm not sure that it could be; this would only be a temporary solution."

According to Evans, similar petitions have been brought to his attention before.

"Coming directly to me won't work. These things must be done through the unions and collective bargaining. When you have to reduce a budget by nearly

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SJSU President J. Handel Evans, center, tells employee Martha O'Connell, right, that he does not back her plan to forego faculty raises in order to save SJSU painter Mike Ham's job Wednesday afternoon in his office.

Departments face cutbacks

By Cara Broglia
Spartan Daily Staff Writer

Enrollment at SJSU has dropped, but according to Edd Burton, associate academic vice president for education planning, the number of full-time students has increased.

"It appears right now that enrollment is down. But, the number of FTE (full-time equivalency) students is not," Burton said. "That seems to indicate that students are getting more of the classes they want."

Burton believes SJSU students are taking more classes this semester because there is more room for them to add. In the past, students were limited to smaller classloads because classes were unavailable.

The "Selected Academic Program Information"

book, compiled by the office of educational planning and resources, concludes that from Spring '89 to Spring '93, the number of students at SJSU dropped from 27,866 to 25,238.

Over that period, there was a 9.4 percent decrease in the number of students enrolled at SJSU.

Another study is being done to determine the current student enrollment. Results will not be made available until mid-semester.

Some departments at SJSU are feeling a positive impact from the enrollment drop.

Professor Nick Milichevich of the aviation department seems hopeful.

"Our first-time-freshman count is down, but upper-

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Stretching the limit



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Junior K.T. Ransom, who is majoring in journalism, pulls his way across the horizontal bungee jump Wednesday at the Campus Fest

next to the Event Center. Ransom pulled his way on the air-filled apparatus to the maximum amount possible earning 32 points.

Campus' assaults highest in CSU

By Dhyana Wood
Spartan Daily Staff Writer

In 1993 SJSU had three times the number of reported assaults as any other CSU campus. Because of the high number of assaults, violent crime at SJSU was highest in the CSU system, according to UPD statistics.

Through mid-November, SJSU had 48 assault cases in 1993. Cal State Long Beach and Cal State Northridge had the second highest rates with 16 cases of assault each.

SJSU student Curtice Macfarland feels crime is a big problem. "I'm from a small town. It's different liv-

ing here. A few times I've heard gun shots from the dorms.

Sara Fletcher, a graduate student in industrial and systems engineering, has been an SJSU student for three years. She used to live across from campus and finds crime "not so much a problem as a concern. It's not that difficult to stay out of trouble."

"I'm more concerned about the gang activity starting to move down this way from the 14th Street area. It seems a bigger problem at night."

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Donated computers speed learning

By Gerald Woodall
Spartan Daily Staff Writer

The human performance department will benefit from the donation of 10 computers this semester by IBM.

The department's motor behavior laboratory, taught by Dr. Emily Wughalter, had previously depended on one computer to accommodate 25 students.

"This will give my students a tremendous learning advantage. They will get feedback immediately now. And it will free up class time

to do other activities," Wughalter said.

Students will begin using the computers next week to perform specific lab tasks that the single, older computer was not able to handle.

The computers contain 286 processors, color monitors, have graphic capabilities and are relatively faster than the computer used in the past. The new machines are valued at approximately \$500 to \$600 each.

The department was able to

obtain the computers through the efforts of John Toner, a senior human performance major with a concentration in teaching.

"John worked very hard to get this done for the department. He is an unbelievable person. Through his unselfishness, we were able to get this done," Wughalter said.

Toner is the president of Phi Kappa Epsilon, a service-oriented society that deals with human performance activities. He made arrangements with telecommunications specialist Charles Hansen

from the Santa Clara branch of IBM. Toner introduced Hansen to department Chairman James Bryant.

"It would have taken us at least five years to save up enough budget money to pay for the computers. John is a good promoter of the department and did a good job with this," Bryant said.

"The computers were obsolete to us. Our other option was to just ship them back to our warehouse

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Lecture series teaches healthy lifestyle

By Cynthia Pickerrell
Spartan Daily Staff Writer

The first thing people see when they look in the mirror is skin.

Often, the skin they see is imperfect. But for many, visiting a dermatologist is either frivolous or financially out of the question.

One of many preventive health lectures the SJSU health education department is offering this semester covers the topic of skin—how to find relief

from a wide range of problems including acne, hair loss and fungal infections.

The preventive health lectures span the weeks of Feb. 24 through April 21. Every Thursday a new health topic will be addressed by a specialist in the particular area.

"(If) young people can develop good, healthy lifestyles now, they're going to live longer and they're going to raise children who are going to have a healthy lifestyle," health

educator Oscar Battle said.

According to Battle, the purpose of the health series is to get students off to a good, well-rounded start.

The series of lectures will cover what Battle calls bread-and-butter issues—those relevant to students and faculty alike. Along with such topics as skin care and cardiovascular health are subjects that have never been dealt with in previous seminars.

Health services has generat-

ed the series on-and-off for the last eight years.

"The subjects of men's and women's health will be important (lectures) for people to attend," medical graduate student Antonella Iacuiti said, adding that both genders need to learn about self-examination as a means to prevent cancer. Iacuiti aided Battle in organizing the series.

Men's health is just one of

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Rolling towards a victory

By Ilene Meeks
Spartan Daily Staff Writer

Three SJSU students will have the chance to compete in the semi-finals of the Rolling Stone Rock & Roll Bowl.

It all started last semester when liberal arts senior Dawn Reichelderfer filled out a questionnaire about Rock and Roll trivia when Haagen Dazs ice cream was on campus for a promotion.

A few weeks later, she received a phone call telling her she had the highest score and could pick two friends from SJSU to be on

her team. Reichelderfer picked senior advertising major Tom Lawler and senior creative arts major Walter Ryce.

The regional playoffs were against three-member teams from UC Berkeley and Stanford. SJSU had the highest score of all three universities and made it to the semi-finals.

The students will be flown to Southern California for an all-expenses-paid trip. The SJSU team will compete against Cleveland State University and North-

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Editorial

Campus ban hypocritical;
sells alcohol but not tobacco

Not selling tobacco products while selling alcohol on campus is a hypocritical policy that in no way demonstrates concern for the health of students on this campus.

The campus should not sell alcohol if it is not going to sell tobacco products.

In May of 1993, the Academic Senate approved the policy recommendation to ban the sale of tobacco products anywhere on the SJSU campus. The sale and consumption of alcohol still exists in the Spartan Pub.

The purpose of the policy recommendations was to show concern for those non-smoking students. Smoking was also banned in any campus building as a result, but smoking is still allowed on campus so long as it is done outside.

Since student smokers can still smoke on campus, with ashcans provided, then what good does it do to keep them from buying their cigarettes? They will still buy them somewhere else.

If a student is over the age of 21, that student may enjoy a beer on tap at the Spartan Pub.

It's good that the Academic Senate is showing concern for the non-smoking students, but denying smoking students the right to buy cigarettes while still allowing them the right to smoke on campus is ridiculous. There are still ashcans located outside campus buildings encouraging smokers.

If the Academic Senate is concerned about the health of the students, then they should also ban the sale and consumption of alcohol on campus. They should also do something to remove the ashcans from in front of the campus buildings.

Banning the sale of tobacco products with the reason that there is concern for the health of students is simply not true.

Why should the Academic Senate treat university students like grade school children? At the university level students should be responsible for their own actions. They are adults and do not need surrogate parents to babysit them at school.

If the sale of tobacco products is banned on campus, then so should the sale of alcohol. Banning the sale of one and not the other is hypocritical if the Academic Senate is concerned about the health of the students.

Giving students the message that smoking is wrong but drinking is acceptable is not only hypocritical, but immature as well. Adults don't need to be told what they can and can't buy.

SJSU students are adults who should have the right to buy cigarettes if they want to and the right to have a beer in the pub if they choose.

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MICHAEL MAYO—SPARTAN DAILY

My funny Valentine

Valentine's Day has always been an awkward holiday for me. I remember decorating a shoe box with hearts in third grade. I put it in the front of the class with all of the other boxes.

I received less than a handful of valentines with my name misspelled on them (Cow, Kal, Kill).

The kids in Kentucky, where I grew up, couldn't pronounce my name right much less spell it.

Last year, I had a girlfriend on Valentine's Day. I promised her a romantic candlelight dinner followed by a massage after I got off work.

As it turned out, I got home late, took her to a restaurant with lousy service and spent the evening cooing/apologizing.

The groping session afterwards was out of the question.

Romance is always tougher in practice than in theory.

This year, Valentine's Day isn't going to be much better. Not only do I not get to decorate a shoe box, the only cards I got have "Past Due" stamped on them in bold red letters.

So what is a single person to do on a day meant for lovers? Get drunk on a five-pound box of liquor-filled chocolate hearts while scanning the personals in



KYLE PRESTON REGISTER

Everything In Moderation

'People get their names in the obituaries all the time and no one thinks it's cute.'

the Metro?

"SWFWTCCD (single white female with tremendous credit card debt) seeks financially secure 6'+ SM for serious commitment. No Smoke/Drug/mother hang-ups. Must like small dogs/Yoko Ono music. Looks not important. Send Photo. No geeks."

Guys ads aren't much better...

"SWMWBG (single white male with beer gut), folically challenged, seeks 17 to 55-yr.-old,

wide-hipped motorcycle mama. Must appreciate motor sports, swilling cheap beer and the art of chewing tobacco. Teeth/tattoos/bail money a bonus. Write to Maddog, C/O county jail."

Besides all of the personals, on Valentine's Day, newspapers print those annoying little "love letters" from people who publicize their pet names surrounded by hearts.

"Romeo. You are cream in my cappuccino. Juliet"

"Scab. You make my love bump swell. Throb."

"Biddles. You are the 10/40 oil in my Harley. Love Maddog. PS. Did you come up with bail money yet?"

I don't know what makes a person think having his or her name printed in the paper is so special. People get their names in the obituaries all the time and no one thinks it's cute.

This Valentine's Day, I'm not going to wait around for Cupid to shoot an arrow in my butt.

I'm going to take charge. I'm going to write a love letter to a woman I secretly admire.

Does anyone have a shoe box I can borrow?

Kyle Preston Register is a Daily staff columnist. His column runs every Thursday.

A new weapon in fighting AIDS

There is a new weapon on the streets in the fight against AIDS.

The weapon is the needle-exchange program and it's the best way to fight the spread of HIV by IV-drug users.

The needle-exchange programs distributes clean needles to IV-drug users in exchange for their dirty needles.

State law forbids the possession of hypodermic needles without a prescription. Gov. Pete Wilson has vetoed legislative plans in the past to legalize needle-exchange programs.

Tired of beating their heads against a brick wall, Bay Area cities are fighting back.

Oakland, San Francisco and Marin counties have declared states of emergency. This allows them to set aside state law and deal with the AIDS epidemic.

San Jose has an underground program that hands out 500 needles a week for its 15,000 addicts.

The Alameda County exchange is also one of these programs. It hands out 2,700 clean needles a week to IV-drug users in exchange for their dirty needles.

AIDS is an issue that can't be ignored. These programs are needed to slow the spread of HIV by IV-drug use, something that school education and condoms are unable to do.

Needle-exchange programs do not condone drug use. They actively fight the deadly risk of sharing hypodermic needles.

LAUREL ANDERSON
Writer's Forum

Initially, these programs might seem wrong because they are accepting drug use and supplying needles for it.

This is not an issue of whether drug use is right or wrong. The issue is do we want to stop addicts from getting and spreading HIV.

An addict can be helped to stop his addiction, but once he has AIDS there is no cure.

Considering the choice between supplying clean needles to drug users and the continued spread of AIDS, there clearly is no choice.

The threat of the spread of AIDS must be stopped because it endangers more people than just the addict.

When sharing needles the addict's sexual partner is at risk, as well as the partners of those he shared it with. By ignoring the IV-drug users, we ignore their lovers, husbands and wives.

The programs send a message that it is not acceptable to risk the spread of AIDS by sharing hypodermic needles.

The programs fill the same role as condoms do in the sexual transmission of HIV.

If condoms are viewed as a way to stop the spread of AIDS then the needle-exchange programs should be viewed the same way.

There is no other choice.

If IV-drug users are unwilling to seek help to quit their addictions then alternatives must be found. Simply ignoring the issue doesn't make it disappear.

The needle-exchange programs decreases the risk factor of AIDS.

AIDS is being fought by preaching abstinence from sex. Abstinence can be preached by teachers, parents or Hollywood figures but that won't stop teenagers and adults from having sex.

Like IV-drug users who want or need their fix, people who want to have sex are not going to abstain.

Condoms are now being pushed by those same people who once preached abstinence. Instead of preaching abstinence, safer sex is now the issue.

In the same respect as safer sex, if you can't stop drug addicts, then protect them in the best way possible. Make sure clean needles are available.

The spread of AIDS through IV-drug use won't go away with ignorance.

But with programs such as the needle exchange, we are one step closer to stopping it.

Laurel Anderson is a Daily staff writer.

Letter to the Editor

Ideis should write part
two to his column

Editor:

On Tuesday, Feb. 8, Naser Ideis wrote a column on "How to Keep Your Mate Happy." I hope he inadvertently neglected to mention it was Part One. Should there be no Part Two, I, "a married person myself," would like to respond with some observations collected over the past 10 years.

Women do not control the "level of pleasure or misery" in a household: it's a two-way street.

Too many men leave everything to the woman when it comes to domestic tranquility.

Women get "busy," too. She's reading the bills, listening to the sound of the kids (or pets) fighting, or guiltily watching a favorite television show. She's too sick to cook dinner, too exhausted to do the laundry, or too tired for "Honey, I'm horny."

About this time, she does begin to think she deserves better—and she's probably right.

However, her only choice ("unless she wants to end the relationship") is complacency, because, on her own, she would make only 60-70 percent of what he makes in the workplace. "Secret treasure" ... ha!

Don't burden her with more demands on her already precious and tightly allotted time, stress level, and household activity.

Show her you care and will be there when she needs you. If the kids (or pets) are sick, don't yell, "Honey, the cat barfed again."

Clean it up yourself. Show her you can take care of things—and yourself—or she will go running straight into the arms of a man who can.

Make her feel special by taking a shower every day, whether you "need" it or not.

Some men lounge around the house wearing ratty jeans and tattered t-shirts, saving the nice, clean clothes for work. She probably washed them, let her see them.

Try to control the noxious odors you emit from various body orifices. If some escape, apologize.

If you don't share her interests, don't insist on participating, then whine. Don't put her down for doing the things she likes. Call her by her name once in a while, instead of the generic "Honey." If you expect her to respect your family, friends, and guests, you'd better be ready to reciprocate.

Try to remember, for women, a lack of consideration is probably the biggest turn-off there is. Women hate it when men don't engage in verbal, sensual intercourse before getting "down to business."

To put it another way: don't be a jerk all day and expect to "get lucky" when the lights go out.

Jealousy is not the "key to divorce," control is. Let her be her own person. You married that person for some reason, didn't you? The harder you try to make her an extension of yourself, the harder she'll pull away.

Ideis got one thing right. The bottom line in marriage is "mutual understanding and respect for each other."

"If you don't got it, you don't got" nothing.

Pat Cahill
Senior, English/Career Writing

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Controversy Corner

U.N. Secretary-General asked NATO to approve airstrikes in Bosnia-Herzegovina in response to shelling that occurred on Saturday, killing 68 people in a Sarejevo marketplace.

Tell us about it. Write a letter to the editor. You might even get published.

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The San Jose State calendar

Today

AKBAYAN CLUB: Cultural Night Practice, 6:30-9p.m., Umuunum Room SU. Call Rich or Mel 534-1140

CHE-CHICANOS & LATINOS IN HEALTH EDUCATION: Organizational Meeting, 5:30p.m., Duncan Hall 505.

COUNSELING SERVICES: Hispanic Students Support Group, 12-1:30p.m., Counseling Services-Adm. building, Call Brenda Aguilar Mandac LCSW 924-5910

DELTA SIGMA PHI: Meet the Chapter, 7:30p.m., Engineering Auditorium 189. Call Sandy Lam 629-7032

GALA-GAY, LESBIAN, BISEXUAL ALLIANCE: 1st party of the semester, 4:30-5:30p.m., Guadalupe Room SU. Call 236-2002

LUTHERAN STUDENT FELLOWSHIP: free showing of Jesus of Montreal, 6p.m., Campus Interfaith Center, 10th and San Carlos. Call Tim Ihssen 298-0204

METEOROLOGY DEPARTMENT: seminar on Weather Service Modernization by Norm Hoffman, 12m., DH 615. Call 924-5200

PHI DELTA THETA: Rush Open House, 7p.m., 611 S. 8th Street. Call Matt Lynch 947-9201

PRE-MED CLUB: semester preview, 1:30-2:30p.m., DH 345.

SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL JOURNALISTS: Meeting-officer elections, 12-1p.m., DBH 117A. Call Jason 924-3280

THE LISTENING HOUR: Live Classical Music with Dr. Laurel Brettell, 12:30-1:15p.m., Music Building Concert Hall. Call Joan Stubbe 924-4631

Friday

AKBAYAN CLUB: Last Recruitment Day, 8a.m.-2p.m., SU. Call Rich or Del 534-1140

ALPHA OMICRON PI: AOTT Rush BBQ, 6-10p.m., AOTT house 373 E. San Fernando. Call Amy or Stephanie 998-9330

A.S. ELECTION BOARD: Spring '94 General Election (applications available), 8:30a.m.-5p.m., SU A.S. government offices. Call Jerome Martin 924-5961

CHILD DEVELOPMENT CLUB: Meeting "pizza feast", 12:15-1:15p.m., CCB 118

CHINESE CAMPUS FELLOWSHIP: Group Discussion, 2:30p.m., Costanoan Room SU. Call Wingfield Liu 252-6876

ICE HOCKEY AT SJSU: vs. Cal Berkeley, 9:45p.m., Ice Centre 10th St. at Alma. Call Lou Siville 993-8638

INDIA STUDENTS ASSOCIATION: General body meeting, 1p.m., Almaden Room, SU. Call Prasanna Pendse 279-6925

MUSLIM STUDENT ASSOCIATION: "Friday Prayer", 1-1:30p.m., Almaden Room, SU

PHI DELTA THETA: Ice Cream Social with Delta Zeta, 7p.m., 611 S. 8th Street. Call Matt Lynch 947-9201

Business news

By Nyle Brandenburg
Special to the Daily

All those people who told you money doesn't grow on trees were wrong.

There is a place out there where money does grow on trees and it's the SJSU financial aid office. But there is a catch; you have to meet the requirements and be extremely patient.

The primary requirement is to simply have financial need. The amount of financial aid a student receives is based on calculated need, said John Bradbury, associate director of financial aid. Calculations are determined by the government from information obtained from a completed Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

A FAFSA, which can be picked up at the financial aid office located in Wahlquist South Room 208, takes approximately two hours to complete. This single application applies to nearly all of the aid programs offered at SJSU.

Once mailed, a FAFSA begins a six step, six month process before a disbursement check is received. According to Bradbury, it is important to fill out the FAFSA accurately, as mistakes on a FAFSA will delay the entire process.

The federal government awards Pell Grants from \$250 to

\$2,300 per school year to those students with maximum need. The state of California awards Cal Grants that pay for CSU fees and in some cases a small amount for living expenses.

Federal loans are available for students ineligible for federal or state grants. The government has low interest Perkins and Stafford loans available for students. Money can also be obtained from the Kuhlman Loan and Supplemental Loan for Students/Parental Loan.

The FAFSA will also be entered into the SJSU Scholarship Program. Approximately 400 scholarships are available from SJSU private donors, alumni, and private industries.

Awards range from \$100 to \$450 per year.

Grade point average and financial need are the primary considerations.

The financial aid office now has a scholarship database that will match students with national scholarships. It takes approximately 45 minutes to search the database for available scholarships.

Procrastinators can thank the earthquake in Los Angeles for extending the FAFSA deadline to April 1, 1994 instead of March 1. For a 29 cent stamp and a couple hours of effort, financial aid is definitely worth your time.

Health

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the newer topics that will be offered this spring. Battle hopes to draw as many people to the seminars as last year, where topics such as PMS and lower back pain attracted up to 70 participants. Many had to be turned away for lack of seating.

Battle said health issues are becoming more relevant to students. He credits this to the rise in popularity of the series within the last three years.

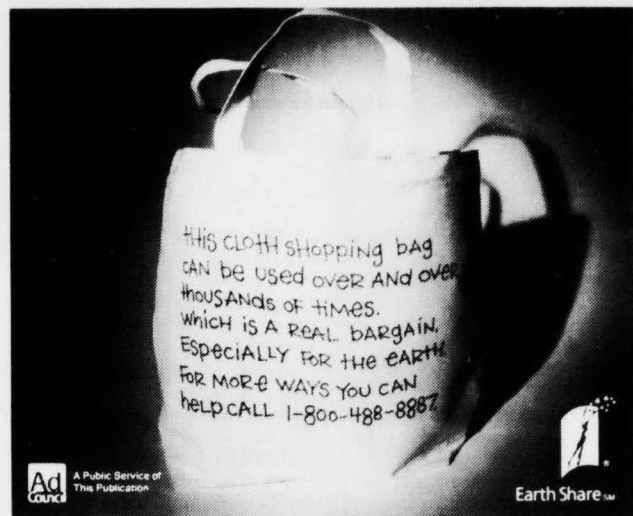
"The readiness is high because of what's happening in the environment and what we see happening to individuals,"

Battle said. "People are willing to take more responsibility and learn more than they have in the past."

According to Battle, the intent of the series is to make individuals capable of making good health decisions in every area of their life.

The sessions will be held in the Health building, room 208, between noon and 1 p.m. each Thursday (except for the initial lecture on skin this coming Tuesday) and are free to everyone.

A list of the weekly lectures is available in the Health building.



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Computers

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to have them scrapped. We would like to make it a normal practice of donating materials in the future, if the school can use them," Hansen said.

Bryant and Wughalter went to IBM during the winter break and loaded the computers into her Jeep. They brought them back to campus and installed the hardware. Toner installed the software.

"I felt frustrated when I took the class in the fall because of the lack of computer resources. Now I feel comforted that students after me will have a better opportunity to learn," Toner

said.

The computer lab work deals with motor learning, which is the study of the process underlying movement behavior. Basically, this means they study the time between brain stimulus and actual responses.

Wughalter found that she had to run certain projects and studies by using several different devices, all of which can now be done with the new computers.

"I feel that it's up to faculty members to exhaust all of their resources besides state budgets and grants. You never know what you might find," Wughalter said.

Contest

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western University on Feb. 12.

The contest will be held at the Hard Rock Cafe at the Beverly Center near Beverly Hills.

The contest is similar to the game show Jeopardy.

The contest is sponsored by several large companies such as Ford Motor Co., AIWA America, MBNA America Bank and Haagen-Dazs ice-cream.

The nationwide contest includes 30 universities from 10 different regions. A region is composed of 3 universities. The San Francisco region includes SJSU, UC Berkeley and Stanford.

Rolling Stone came up with the nationwide event to promote their magazine and target college students.

US Concepts helped organize the contest.

Stephe Rebeck, the project manager from the marketing company, US Concepts, said that Rolling Stone magazine gets all the recognition for

putting on this event. US Concepts just helps organize the event.

"We cover different areas of marketing," Rebeck said. "We produce special events, mostly for college students. We (also) do a week of events during spring break."

If the team wins the semi-finals, the two teams with the highest score will battle it out at the national finals in Daytona Beach, Florida during spring break. The finals will be hosted by MTV's comedian Mario Joyner.

"We have really good odds right now. We've already done the hardest stuff," Lawler said.

If the SJSU team wins the semi-finals, each team member will win a 1994 Ford Mustang, an AIWA portable CD stereo and Haagen-Dazs ice cream.

But if the team doesn't win, the runner-up team will receive AIWA portable CD stereo.

Lawler stated the reason for competing in the contest. "I want to win. I am not here to have fun."

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Regulators endorse site of first Nevada Indian casino

CARSON CITY (AP) — The state Gaming Control Board voted Wednesday to recommend the site of the first major Indian casino in Nevada, on the Colorado River near the booming gambling town of Laughlin.

GCB members voted unanimously for the site approval of the \$36 million, 305-room Avi Casino-Hotel to be built on the Fort Mojave Indian reservation — the first of 11 riverside casino resorts planned as part of a huge development.

The board's endorsement, which will be reviewed Feb. 24 by its parent Nevada Gaming Commission, follows the 1988 approval of a compact between Nevada and the tribe as Indian gambling began to spread around the nation.

GCB Chairman Bill Bible said the site endorsement is a preliminary step that must be followed by approval of the tribal corporation that will operate the casino, along with licensing of long-time Nevada gaming entrepreneur Bob Cashell as manager.

Bible added that the 40-acre

casino site approval isn't "a perfect fit" within Nevada's gaming laws, but he realized that the tribe is moving cautiously to ensure there are no unforeseen legal pitfalls.

Bud Hicks, attorney for the tribe, said the tribe wanted "an initial read" from casino regulators.

He said lenders would appreciate the board's action, but added a loan for the club already is approved.

The tribe is building its Aha-Macav planned community on about 4,000 acres a few miles south of Laughlin and about 30 miles north of Needles, Calif., in the extreme southern tip of Nevada.

The tribe controls more than 33,000 acres in the Mohave Valley, including land in Nevada, Arizona and California, and a 17-mile stretch of the Colorado flows through the reservation.

Hicks said one of the biggest advantages for the Aha Macav — or "People by the River" — project is its long-settled right to 12,500 acre-feet of Colorado

River water annually.

In addition to hotel-casinos, the project eventually will include about 20,000 homes, schools, parks and other facilities. The resorts will be in direct competition with clubs in Laughlin, which has grown rapidly over the past several years and now draws about 5 million tourists yearly.

The venture also will include gambling on tribal land in Arizona. But tribal administrator Gary Goforth said there are no plans at this point for any casinos on the tribe's California land.

Cashell said the Nevada hotel-casino will have all casino games and employ up to 600 workers, and tribal members would get the first opportunity to apply for the jobs.

The tribe has about 1,200 members, most of them living on reservation land on the Arizona side of the river.

The Fort Mojave Indian Tribe got approval from Arizona last year for gambling with up to 475 slot or video poker machines.

Bank of America records lost in plane crash off San Diego coast

LA JOLLA, Calif. (AP) — Some customers of Bank of America may have been affected by the crash of a courier plane. A number of banking documents were lost in the downed aircraft, officials said.

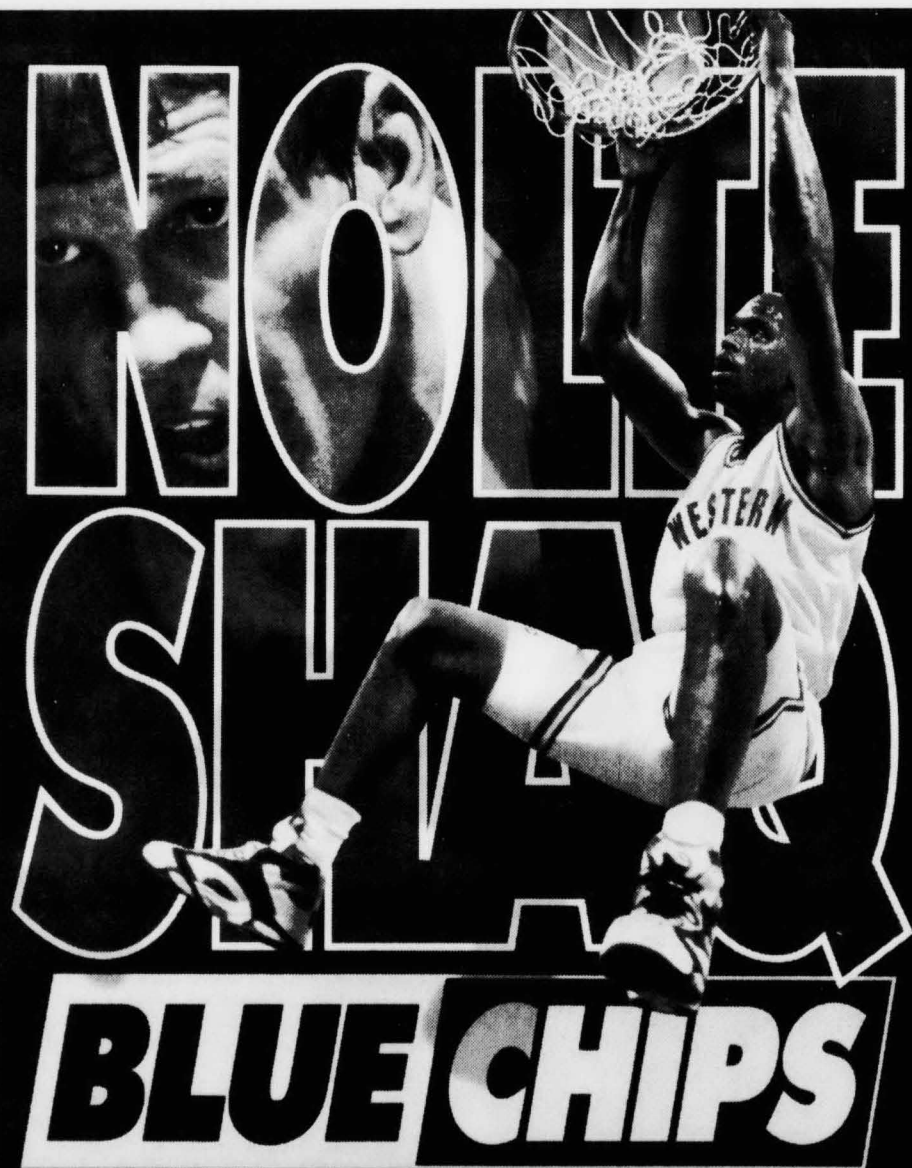
The Coast Guard on Tuesday called off its search for the pilot, Cynthia Rice, 32, of Ramona, and the charter plane, which crashed into the Pacific Ocean about four miles west of La Jolla on Monday. Rice was presumed lost at sea, said Coast Guard spokesman, Petty Officer Trent Jones.

The Coast Guard found the banking papers and a piece of aluminum from the plane when they washed ashore at Torrey Pines State Beach.

The bank's customers were notified that they may have to present documentary evidence of their deposits to be credited with the transactions, the bank said.

"We are working with the affected customers in going through a reconstruction process, asking for their help in re-creating the transaction," a Bank of America spokesman said Tuesday.

The twin-engine Cessna was owned by Pacific Charter of San Diego. The plane had left Montgomery Field in San Diego and was destined for Burbank, a Coast Guard spokesman said. The lost banking records were en route to a Bank of America facility in Los Angeles.



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Community Homeless Alliance marches for equal housing



The Community Homeless Alliance marches through the the Pavillion on their way to the Redevelopment Agency Wednesday.

SJSU Senior in Philosophy Steve Naumchik joins the Community Homeless Alliance on its march to the San Jose Redevelopment Agency Wednesday. The CHA went to the fifteenth floor to request a

meeting with Frank Taylor to discuss the downtown Montgomery Hotel's future as a location for low income housing. The CHA was unable to make an appointment yesterday.

Photos by Monique Schoenfeld

Immigration officials report phony green cards

RENO, Nev. (AP) — At least 800 undocumented workers apparently got jobs in northern Nevada hotels by using counterfeit green cards, immigration officials said.

"We were amazed at how many documents were out there," J. T. Watson Jr., head of the Reno office of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, said on Tuesday.

Agents made 30 arrests on Monday and Watson said most of

the 770 or so people with phony cards apparently left the area once they learned their documentation was being investigated.

"We were getting some feedback from the hotel casinos that large numbers of those just didn't show up for work," Watson said.

During a three-week investigation, the INS examined 15,000 documents of workers from Mexico and other foreign coun-

tries in 26 hotels and casinos in the Truckee Meadows.

Of the 30 people arrested, 25 were returned to Mexico on Tuesday, two others were found to be in this country legally and three others planned to contest the arrests in court.

Watson said information from those arrested led agents to believe that the documents were being sold in the area.

Businesses can be fined for hiring undocumented workers.

Social Security office in Salinas is spared

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — More than 300 federal workers at a Social Security Administration office in Salinas had their jobs spared Wednesday when the government confirmed plans to keep the facility open.

The office, which processes some 20 million federal W-2 tax forms each year, had been slated for closure on Sept. 30, according to Phil Gambino, an administration spokesman in Baltimore.

But Social Security Commissioner Shirley S. Chater decided late Tuesday that the facility should remain open, with a new function, and that the 140 full-time and 170 seasonal workers would be offered new jobs.

"The commissioner has now decided she would like to keep the center open in a different capacity...We can offer them new jobs," Gambino said.

The facility likely would be converted to a service office that would handle a share of the roughly 60 million public information calls the administration

gets each year, Gambino said. The SSA previously has said it cannot cope with the volume of toll-free calls it receives.

The office, one of the largest employers in Salinas, was targeted for closure last year after the SSA decided to automate the workers' jobs and consolidate the workload at its Wilkes-Barre, Pa., office.

But Chater visited the facility and met with workers in December at the behest of Rep. Sam Farr, D-Salinas.

"(Chater) saw that these were employees who were hard-working, stable and had bilingual skills, which are skills we need for our toll-free line," Gambino said.

Farr, who had planned to formally announce the spared jobs on Friday, said the news was "a real shot in the arm for the area."

"This is an area that has only had closure news," Farr said by telephone from Washington. "It's the first news of a re-opening we've had."

Former activist Tom Hayden announces bid for governorship

LOS ANGELES (AP) — In a surprise move, former anti-war activist Tom Hayden, a 11-year veteran of the Legislature and the former husband of actress Jane Fonda, launched his campaign today for governor.

Hayden, 54, faces state Treasurer Kathleen Brown and Insurance Commissioner John Garamendi in what promises to be a bruising, costly Democratic primary.

Hayden, a Vietnam War protester during the 1960s and 1970s and a co-founder of Students for a Democratic Society, said he was seeking the governorship to fight the "obstinate power and money of special interests in Sacramento."

"In my view, this problem is the key to all others in Sacramento," Hayden said.

Hayden was elected to the state Assembly in 1982, and served a decade in the lower house. He was elected to the state Senate in 1992, defeating a veteran senator, Herschel Rosenthal, and community activist Kathy O'Neill, wife of political columnist Richard Reeves, to win the Democratic primary in a heavily Democratic district.

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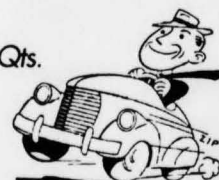
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Taking it one game at a time

Softball team hopes to improve on last season's 29-30 finish

By Minerva Panlilio
Special to the Daily

Go as far as you can see and when you get there you can see farther.

According to head coach Debbie Nelson, that is the Spartan softball team's new attitude in 1994.

Last season the team set goals like winning 40 games and taking first place in the Big West Conference, said Nelson, who is entering her second year at SJSU. This year, the team is taking it one game at a time.

"Last year we were talking World Series in February and it's not until May," Nelson said. "Now we don't talk about even a week away. The coaching staff prepares us for our opponents, but these kids don't talk about Northridge and Cal yet. We're trying to take care of the little things on a daily basis first and then the big things will come and fall into place."

In 1993, the Spartans finished sixth in the conference with a 10-20 record, 29-30 overall. They will try to improve on that finish with eight returners and eight newcomers.

The biggest change the team has to adjust to is a young pitching staff. The Spartans, who lost all three of their pitchers from last season, hope to rebuild with freshmen Corina Lilly, Amy Phillips and Dena Pitts.

"After Christmas break, I was really pleased with the shape that my pitchers and catchers came back in," pitching coach Angie Jacobs said. "They've matured

just about a year from the time they've come in the fall and I'm really happy with that. They're beginning now to understand exactly what lies ahead of them

'I think as a coach, I'm very fortunate to have the group that I have to work with.'

Debbie Nelson
Softball coach

and what they need to do to be successful at the collegiate level."

These pitchers will be staring down into the glove of catcher Jen McMillan, who is in her second year behind the plate for SJSU.

The Spartan infield is led by All-American and four-year starter Jackie Tawney. Across the diamond is first baseman Denise Baily and filling in the gaps are returning starters second baseman Kelly Clark and shortstop Paula Frueh.

"We're all really good friends, so it helps," Tawney said. "We worked together all the time last year too, so it's like we were just leaving off from last year."

Sophomore center fielder Pat Martinez is the only returning starter in the outfield. Joining her are Tricia Morse in left and Holly Brink in right.

"She has really grown up as a ball player," Nelson said about Martinez. "She's our quarterback

in the outfield and helps do all the direction and adjustments against our opponents."

In addition to the starters, the Spartans will rely on the bench to help get them into the win column.

"Knowing that we have a young team and we're going to play close to 70 ballgames, it was important to the coaching staff to make sure that we had not only depth as far as number of players, but that we also had talent within those players," Nelson said.

Nelson noted that the team is strong defensively as well.

"Last season there were times when we lost games because of the defense," she said. "We're flipping that around now, where we're winning more games on our defensive skills."

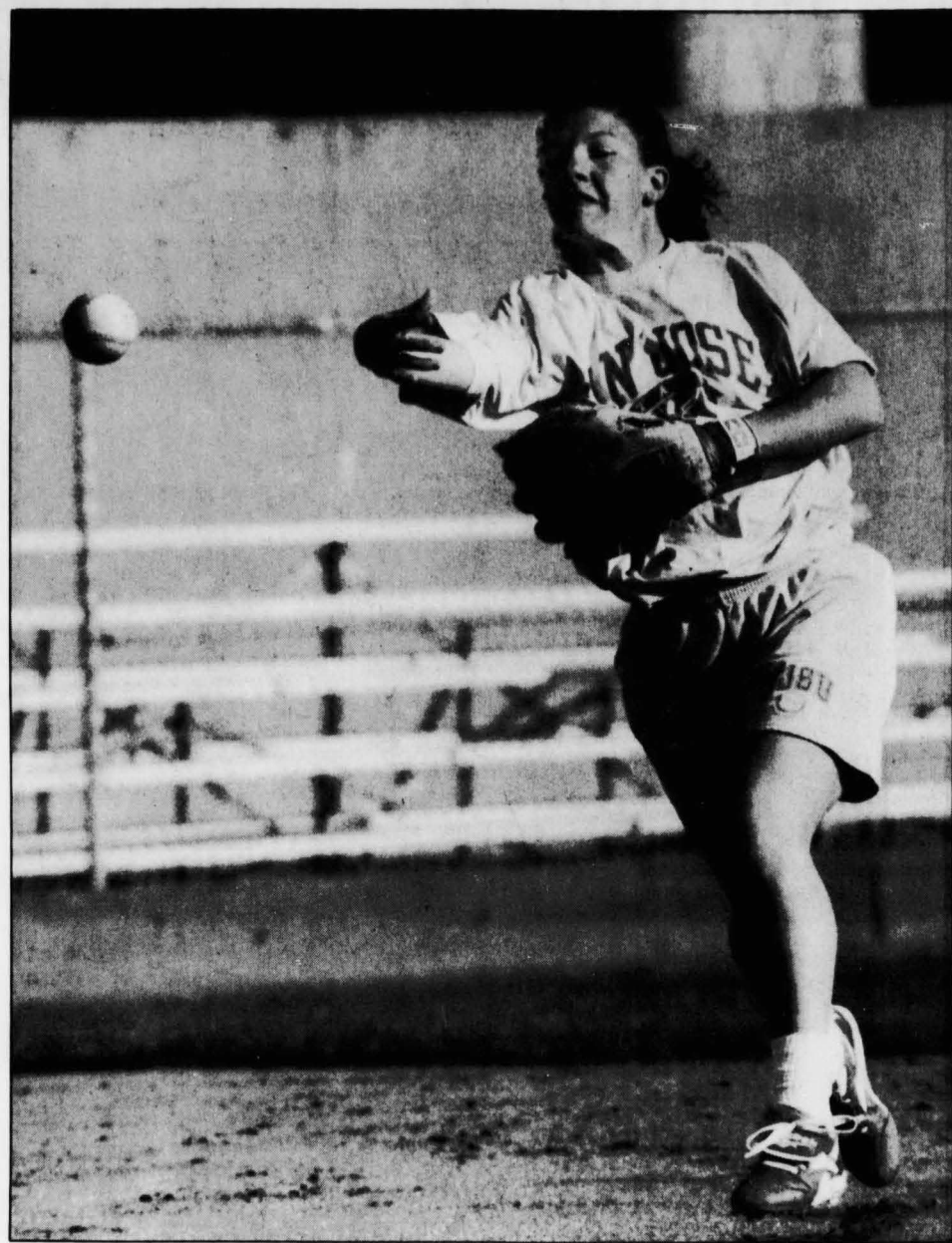
"The game of softball is fairly simple as long as you keep your fundamentals strong," Nelson said. "That's what we spent the entire year on — making sure fundamentally, we were very, very strong."

So far, Nelson only knows the first three spots in the line up. Martinez will lead off. Hitting behind her is designated hitter Valerie Quintero, followed by Tawney.

Tawney, a first-team, all Big West selection, led the team in hits with 61. She led in batting with a .333 average last season.

Nelson believes the key to this year's offense is their speed.

"Last year we attempted over 100 stolen bases," she said. "The average team attempted right around 40 to 50, so we do a lot of



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Catcher Jen McMillan throws to home plate during practice at P.A.L. Stadium.

running. We're real aggressive. I think that's how you win at this level — to go after your opponents, not to wait for them to make a mistake. Something you'll see when you come out to the ball games is a team that is very entertaining because we make a lot of things happen."

Tawney, Martinez and McMillan accounted for 40 of

the 78 stolen bases SJSU collected last season.

The Spartans will be testing their speed against some of the nation's Top 20 teams, including No. 1-ranked Arizona and No. 2-ranked UCLA.

"Anyone can be beaten on any given day," Martinez said.

"And if you take it day-by-day instead of looking at the sched-

ule and saying we have 40 wins and we're going to pick them and choose them, you're just selling yourself short as a team. You should be thinking positive, not in a cocky way where you're saying, 'We're going to beat this team.' Just give your 110 percent and play hard whether it's Stanford, Arizona or UCLA."

The Spartans start the season Saturday hosting Saint Mary's, Santa Clara and Stanford in the first annual Spartan Kick-off Tournament. SJSU will face cross-town rival Santa Clara first at noon in PAL Stadium.

"If there's anything that stands out with this team besides the chemistry of the team is the pride that they possess about their program," Nelson said. "I wouldn't change any of these kids. I think as a coach, I'm very fortunate to have the group that I have to work with."



Third baseman Jackie Tawney dives for the ball during practice.

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SJSU at UC Santa Barbara, 7:30 p.m.
MEN'S BASKETBALL NOTES: The Spartans are on the road tonight against UC Santa Barbara. In their last meeting, SJSU won 72-50. The win was the most lopsided victory of the season and the first over UC Santa Barbara in 12 outings. SJSU is looking for its first regular-season series sweep over the Gauchos since the 1985 season. Game will be broadcast on KLSJ, 90.7 FM.

THREE IN A ROW: The Spartans' current win streak began with the first-ever 92-77 thrashing of UNLV. SJSU beat UC Irvine 72-67 and Cal State Fullerton 84-82 last week to move into fourth place in the Big West Conference with an 11-6 overall record. SJSU is 7-4 in conference play. This is the second time during the season the Spartans have had a three-game win streak.

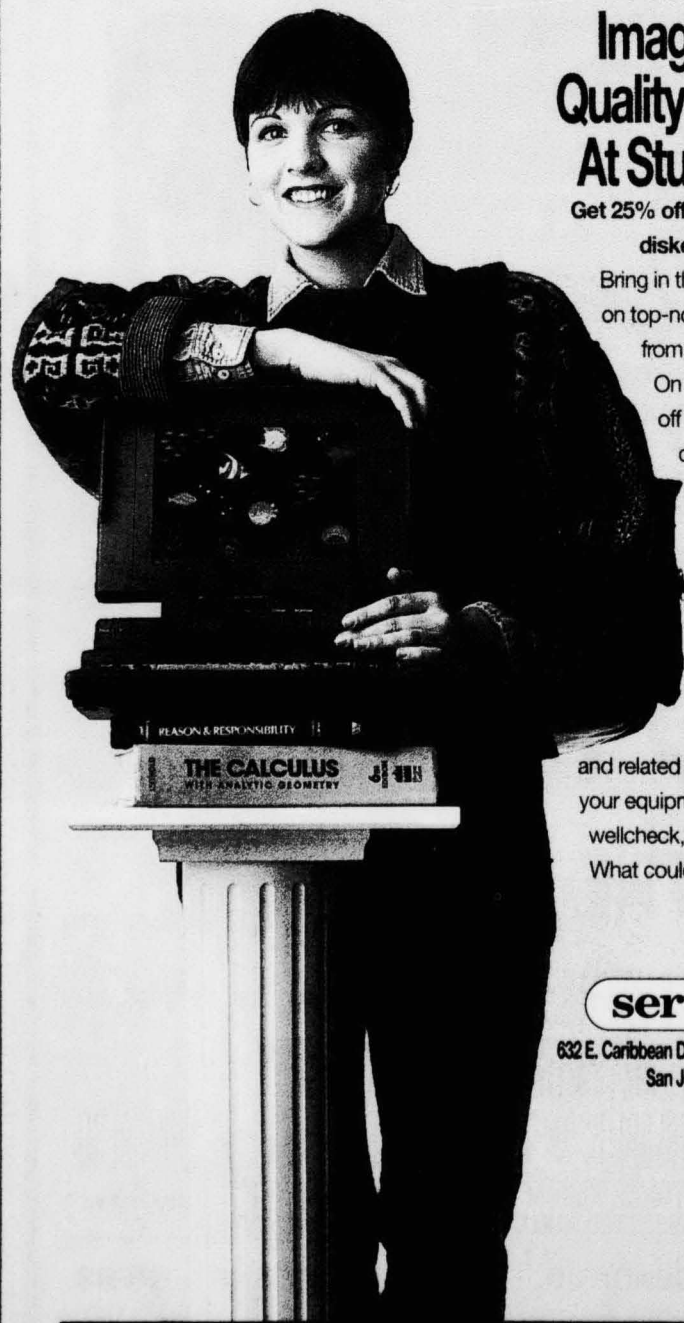
THE SPARTANS: SJSU leads the Big West in team free throw percentage with 71.5 percent. Guard Lasse Mitchell is second in the Big West in free throw percentage with .868 percent. Terry Cannon is seventh in scoring, averaging 16.1 points per game. The Gauchos: UCSB is coming off of a 67-66 victory over Long Beach State. The team hasn't won more than two games in a row all season. Own a 5-5 record in the Big West and are 9-12 overall. Gauchos have eight players who have scored between 127 and 225 points this season. UCSB is ninth in the Big West for free throw percentage with a team average of 83.8 percent.

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Low-budget hideaways for Valentine sweethearts

By Cynthia Pickerrell
Spartan Daily Staff Writer

It only takes a glance in the nearest Hallmark store to see that Valentine's Day is just around the corner. So what will it be—the candy and card or a romantic rendezvous at the local diner?

Aw, come on. Bright, ingenious students can do better than that.

Then again, maybe not—at least not if they're like the many students around campus who, when asked about their dating life, consider renting a video getting wild and crazy.

Contrary to popular opinion, romantic and inexpensive dates are not difficult to come by. Often, it simply means letting your fingers do the walking.

The phone book holds a world of entertainment opportunities, as do local newspapers. If these fail? Well, then ask a fellow student.

Picturesque Picnics

"Go walking through Plaza Park at night while the sprinklers are going," music major James Young proffered.

As it turns out, parks are a great way to save money and spend quality time with someone close. The many activities—biking, hiking and rollerblading to name a few—also keep you in superb shape.

The Big Basin Redwoods State Park and Alum Rock Park offer miles of trails, many leading to creeks or waterfalls. Such locales make for charming spots to lay down a blanket with that significant other and chomp on some KFC.

As with most parks, admission is free. The big plus is seeing virtually no one for hours.

Garden Gallivanting

"Have her pose and draw her picture," James F. said (sorry girls, he wouldn't give out any other information).

Well, James F., there's no better place to do this than Villa Montalvo, a 175-acre area that includes a wildlife sanctuary and redwood grove.

Unless, of course, you prefer gardens.

The Japanese Friendship Tea Garden and the 33-acre Overfelt Garden (in a traditional Chinese landscape) are both in San Jose and free to visitors as well. Couples can traipse between ponds and wildflowers or test their cardiovascular strength while climbing up and over arched bridges.

Science Sampling

"Go to Fisherman's Wharf and watch the sun rise," illustration major Oliver Mendoza offered.

Why go all the way to Fisherman's Wharf when you can see the sun up close at the James Lick Observatory? Located atop Mount Hamilton, the observatory is one of the largest in the world. And it's free.

If gazing at the stars is not your cup of tea, perhaps a blast to the past—say 4000 years—will tickle your fancy.

The Rosicrucian Museum and Planetarium has a collection of ancient Egyptian, Assyrian and

Babylonian artifacts (including mummies!) that will fascinate history lovers for hours. Tours of an Egyptian tomb (replica of course) give the besotted a chance to cuddle within its dark, cavernous chambers.

All this for a mere four dollars each—a visit to the planetarium included.

The San Jose Historical Museum, a re-creation of San Jose's original Main Street, is another one of the many museums the valley offers. Even the Children's Discovery Museum holds good times for the young at heart. All charge under five dollars admission. Some, like the Triton Museum of Art (featuring contemporary exhibits from all over the world), are free.

Leisurely Alternatives

"He has to make dinner, clean the kitchen and take me out for a night cap," nutrition major Jill Christensen said, emphasizing the latter.

Unfortunately, night caps (a 70s term for an end-of-the-night drink) can get pretty expensive. Day caps, on the other hand, replace the bar scene with the oh-so-lovely vineyard. And they're free.

Wine tasting is the key to this freebie where the relaxed atmosphere molds the mood for things to come—a candlelight dinner, for instance.

Wineries in the area to visit include the J. Lohr Winery in San Jose and the Mirassou Champagne Cellars in Los Gatos. For beach lovers, the Bonny

"We (her and her boyfriend) like to go window shopping at Pier 39," Hazel Beltran said. She adds that the people are also fun to watch.

Other ideas from the simple side include ice skating, bowling and miniature golf. Two out of three are offered right here at SJSU.

The lower level of the Student Union offers students cheap rates for bowling and billiards—\$1.10 and \$3 per hour respectively—and the hours are accommodating to late night players.

They're open until midnight every night.

When Oliver Mendoza's not watching the sun rise at Pier 39, he frequents the ice skating rink with his lady love. The question is, does she have a good time?

"She has no complaints," Mendoza said assuringly.

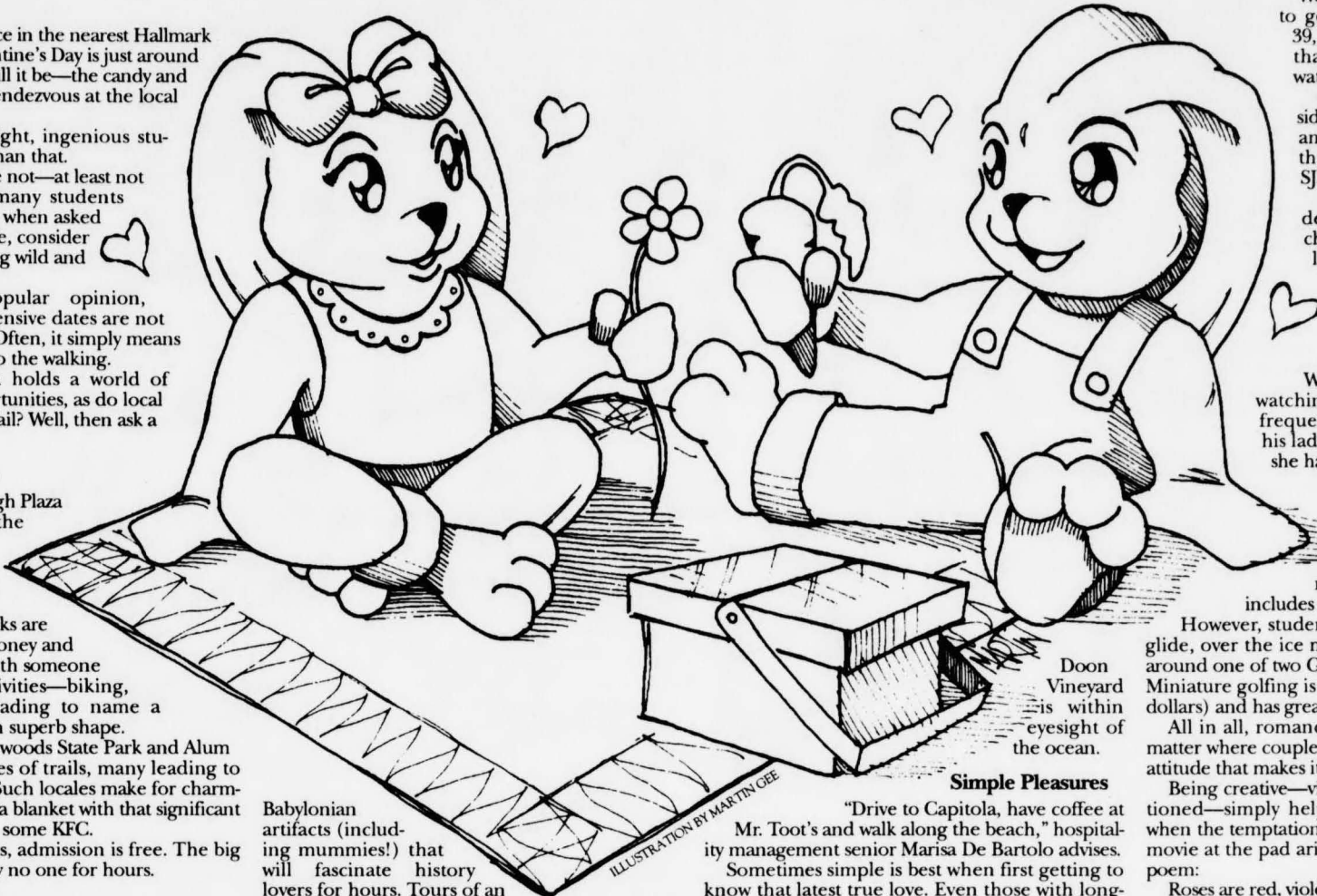
For eight dollars each, a mediocre date can heat up at SJSU's new Ice Center (the price includes shoes).

However, students who slide, as opposed to glide, over the ice may be more at ease putting around one of two Golflands in the San Jose area. Miniature golfing is cheap (averaging about five dollars) and has great violence potential.

All in all, romance is the spice of dating. No matter where couples go or what they do, it's their attitude that makes it all worthwhile.

Being creative—vis-a-vis, doing the above mentioned—simply helps keep romance alive. So, when the temptation to subject your love bug to a movie at the pad arises, just remember this little poem:

Roses are red, violets are blue/ you can still have a date if your dollars are few. — Anonymous



Doon Vineyard is within eyesight of the ocean.

Simple Pleasures

"Drive to Capitola, have coffee at Mr. Toot's and walk along the beach," hospitality management senior Marisa De Bartolo advises.

Sometimes simple is best when first getting to know that latest true love. Even those with long-time boyfriends (or girlfriends) prefer leisurely dates. De Bartolo's friend and co-major agrees.

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Police find missing baby

AUSTIN (AP) — The body of a missing baby has been found by police following a map drawn by the boy's baby sitter. A sheriff said today the boy's death was not accidental and that murder charges would be filed.

Three-month-old Brandon Baugh disappeared Jan. 21. His babysitter, Cathy Lynn Henderson, was arrested last week in Independence, Mo., and charged with kidnapping.

Brandon's body was found late Tuesday just northeast of Temple, between Waco and Austin.

Mrs. Henderson said the boy died in an accidental fall.

But an autopsy early today found that Brandon suffered a severe skull fracture, said Travis County Sheriff Terry Keel. "The severity of the injuries is inconsistent with any kind of accident theory," he said.

Keel said capital murder charges would be filed against Mrs. Henderson.

Maps leading to the body's location were given to authorities Tuesday by one of Mrs. Henderson's lawyers after District Judge Jon Wisser ruled that they did not fall under such

attorney-client privilege. He said they originally were meant to be given to law enforcement officials to help in finding the child.

In a statement released by her lawyers Tuesday, Mrs. Henderson said the baby squirmed out of her arms and struck his head while she cared for him at her home near Pflugerville, an Austin suburb.

"Brandon pushed his feet against the kitchen wall. I was holding him with only one hand. He pushed out of my arm and flipped over. Brandon landed on his head," it said.

Mrs. Henderson, 37, said she tried for an hour to revive the baby, then fled, burying his body outside Waco before going on to Missouri.

"I want to emphasize this was an accident and that I am truly sorry for Brandon's death. I panicked," said her statement, given to FBI agents in Kansas City.

Travis County sheriff's spokesman Andy Saenz said Mrs. Henderson had given authorities "several different stories," including one that someone else had taken the baby from the house.

Willie B. creates his own Valentine

ATLANTA (AP) — After years without even seeing a member of the opposite sex, Willie B. is a father.

Zoo Atlanta officials announced the birth Tuesday night of an as-yet-unnamed baby gorilla — the sixth born at the zoo.

The infant appeared in good condition as its mother, Choomba, basked in the sun with it clasped to her chest. The sex has not been determined and the weight wasn't taken.

Zoo officials were delighted with the new arrival because Willie B., a 35-year-old silverback gorilla, never mingled with females after arriving at the zoo in 1962.

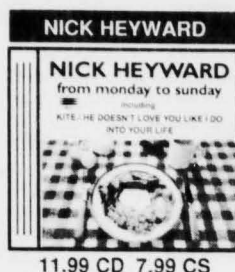
Willie B. set his sights on Choomba in 1992, after a couple of unproductive matings.

From across separate living areas, a courtship began with long glances and love calls — just as in the wild.

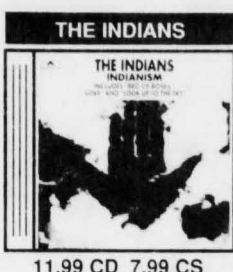
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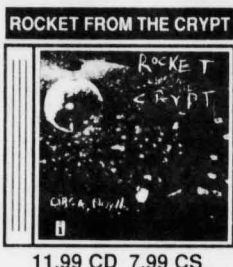
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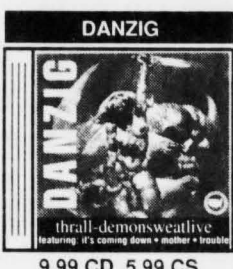
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Grand jury interviews actor's son in Michael Jackson case

SANTA BARBARA, Calif. (AP) — A grand jury convened Wednesday to consider criminal child sex abuse charges against pop superstar Michael Jackson, and the first witness was actor Marlon Brando's adult son.

Miko Brando, who has worked for Jackson as a bodyguard and valet, met with the grand jury behind closed doors for 3 1/2 hours. He ignored questions from a large crowd of reporters as he entered and left the chambers.

An unidentified man later met with the grand jury for about 15 minutes before he and the jurors went home for the day.

A 14-year-old boy has accused Jackson of sexually molesting him during a four-month campaign of seduction, ending last year.

The entertainer has denied any wrongdoing but last month reached a reported multimillion-dollar out-of-court settlement in a civil lawsuit brought by his accuser.

The settlement was thought to severely diminish the state's case in the child molestation probe because, in California, a victim of sexual abuse can't be forced to

testify against his or her will.

The lawsuit filed in September contended that Jackson plied the youth with lavish gifts and vacations.

The lawsuit alleged Jackson committed sexual battery, battery, seduction, willful misconduct, intentional infliction of emotional distress, fraud and negligence.

Jackson, 35, abandoned his "Dangerous" world concert tour in November in the midst of a media frenzy over the allegations, saying he was forced to retreat to a drug rehabilitation center in Europe to kick painkilling prescription drugs.

On Wednesday, Santa Barbara County District Attorney Thomas Snedden Jr. and Los Angeles County Deputy District Attorneys William Hodgman and Lauren Weiss also met with the grand jury on the second floor of the ornate Spanish-style county courthouse.

No one spoke as they entered the room.

Los Angeles County prosecutors have been investigating the allegations against Jackson for six months but have not filed charges.

Los Angeles County District Attorney Gil Garcetti on Wednesday refused to estimate when an announcement on criminal charges would be made, but he said the county's investigation was in what he called its "latter half."

"You'd like to try and pin me down," he told reporters in Los Angeles. "I wish I could tell you it's going to be complete in five days. I can't tell you that."

The grand jury session was held under tight security. Guards were stationed throughout the courthouse and reporters were kept behind two benches blocking the hallway several feet from the jury chambers.

Jackson and his lawyers have claimed the teen's molestation allegations were the result of a failed \$20 million extortion attempt by the boy's father and lawyer.

Los Angeles County prosecutors investigated the extortion claims and declined to file charges in the case.

Calls to the boy's lawyer, Larry Feldman, and Jackson attorneys Howard Weitzman and Johnnie Cochran Jr. were not immediately returned.

Emergency room doctors at Callexico hospital quit

CALEXICO, Calif. (AP) — The eight doctors who staffed the emergency room at Callexico Hospital quit after the facility fell at least three months behind in paying for their services.

The doctors quit at midnight Tuesday. They are employed by National Emergency Services, a Tiburon-based medical firm that supplies emergency room doctors to hospitals in the United States and Europe.

The doctors had worked in the emergency room at Callexico Hospital for 18 months.

"We're very happy with what we've been able to do here, but I've been told by my firm there are limits to how long it can go without getting paid," Dr. Adolphus Cole told hospital trustees during a hospital board meeting Tuesday.

Cole said National Emergency Services has continued to pay the physicians, despite not getting paid by the hospital for their services. Those services cost the hospital \$50,000 to \$60,000 a

month, Cole said.

"I find it extremely embarrassing that we find ourselves in this situation," Hospital trustee Lupe Acuna told Cole during the board meeting.

'This is all part of a carefully thought out plan.'

Robert Trautman
Hospital Administrator

The hospital has been late in meeting payroll for about 10 months, and employee paychecks have bounced in recent

months. Many staffers, including the facility's director of nursing, Oscar Garcia, have quit.

Hospital Administrator Robert Trautman said hospital officials had been planning to replace the doctors with another team of physicians for months.

"This is all part of a carefully thought out plan," said Trautman.

When asked if failing to pay National Emergency Services also was part of that plan, Trautman said, "No." Trautman said the firm will be paid, but the hospital has "other priorities

right now."

Hospital officials temporarily replaced the physicians with one person, El Centro cardiologist Dr. Amrit Singh. Singh will be responsible for the emergency room on a 24-hour basis until Dr. Minerva Kelada takes over on Feb. 15.

Trustees approved a contract with Kelada Tuesday. Under the contract, Kelada will receive about \$35,000 a month to run the emergency room. Kelada will use some of that money to pay for the services of about three other emergency room physicians.

In another development Tuesday, Gerald Dadey, who retired as superintendent of the Callexico Unified School District because of illness in 1992, told hospital trustees he wants to be considered for the post of hospital administrator.

Late last year trustees voted to fire Trautman, who has worked as hospital administrator since November 1992.

The trustees alleged he failed to carry out his contractual duties. They later rehired him, saying he would be replaced as soon as a permanent administrator could be found.

Regulators endorse site of first Nevada Indian casino

CARSON CITY (AP) — The state Gaming Control Board voted Wednesday to recommend the site of the first major Indian casino in Nevada, on the Colorado River near the booming gambling town of Laughlin.

GCB members voted unanimously for the site approval of the \$36 million, 305-room Avi Casino-Hotel to be built on the Fort Mojave Indian reservation — the first of 11 riverside casino resorts planned as part of a huge development.

The board's endorsement, which will be reviewed Feb. 24 by its parent Nevada Gaming Commission, follows the 1988 approval of a compact between Nevada and the tribe as Indian gambling began to spread around the nation.

GCB Chairman Bill Bible said the site endorsement is a preliminary step that must be followed by approval of the tribal corporation that will operate the casino, along with licensing of long-time Nevada gaming entrepreneur Bob Cashell as manager.

Bible added that the 40-acre casino site approval isn't "a perfect fit" within Nevada's gaming laws, but he realized that the tribe is moving cautiously to ensure there are no unforeseen legal pitfalls.

Bud Hicks, attorney for the tribe, said the tribe wanted "an initial read" from casino regulators.

He said lenders would appreciate the board's action, but added a loan for the club already is approved.

The tribe is building its Aha-Macav planned community on about 4,000 acres a few miles south of Laughlin and about 30 miles north of Needles, Calif., in the extreme southern tip of Nevada.

The tribe controls more than 33,000 acres in the Mohave Valley, including land in Nevada, Arizona and California, and a 17-mile stretch of the Colorado flows through the reservation.

Hicks said one of the biggest advantages for the Aha-Macav — or "People by the River" — project is its long-settled right to 12,500 acre-feet of Colorado River water annually.

In addition to hotel-casinos, the project eventually will include about 20,000 homes, schools, parks and other facilities. The resorts will be in direct competition with clubs in Laughlin, which has grown rapidly over the past several years and now draws about 5 million tourists yearly.

The venture also will include gambling on tribal land in Arizona. But tribal administrator Gary Goforth said there are no plans at this point for any casinos on the tribe's California land.

Cashell said the Nevada hotel-casino will have all casino games and employ up to 600 workers, and tribal members would get the first opportunity to apply for the jobs. The tribe has about 1,200 members, most of them living on reservation land on the Arizona side of the river.

The Fort Mojave Indian Tribe got approval from Arizona last year for gambling with up to 475 slot or video poker machines. The compact with that state doesn't allow craps, roulette, blackjack or other card games where customers play against the house.

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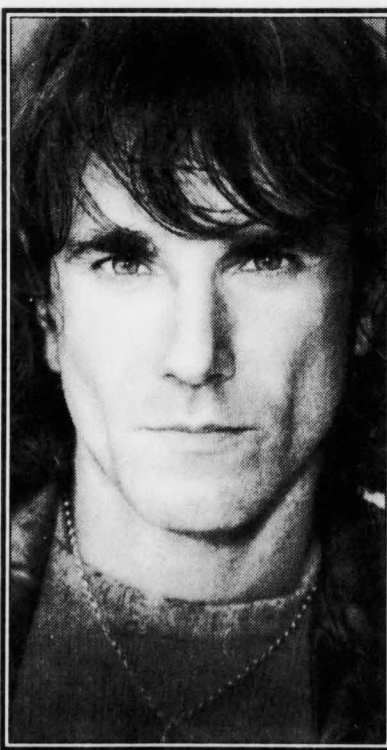
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25 percent over the last two years, it's very difficult," he said.

According to O'Connell, sufficient funds would be available to rehire at least 18 employees.

"Even if it were for only six months or a year, it's better than nothing," she said.

"Coming back to work has been joyful, doing the jobs that are needed," Ham said. "The response from the faculty and customers has been incredible. There's plenty of work to be done and the university is contracting out work that I should be doing. It's terrific that all these people are volunteering

to donate their first raise in three and a half years to bring me back. They want us back and this proves it."

"I've talked to a number of former employees in the same situation and I know it's tough being there," Evans said. "You're (Ham) a victim in the budget crisis that we're all facing."

"I believe he was compelled. It was brought to his conscience, although I still disagree with the elimination of the entire paint shop," Ham said following the meeting.

"It would have demonstrated superb moral leadership on his part if he would have signed as a human being and as an employee," O'Connell said.

Students: Enrollment increase predicted

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division classes have remained full. We've actually had to add one class this semester," Milicevich said.

In the humanities department, Chairperson George Moore, has also seen positive results.

"This is the first semester in the last five that I didn't have to tell students that a class was canceled," Moore said. "The problem wasn't a lack of students, but we simply could not afford the salaries to pay more professors."

The humanities department cut its number of professors to a minimum and has counteracted the decrease in enrollment.

SJSU President J. Handel Evans addressed the issue. "Students taking more classes essentially means a loss of fee revenue," Evans said. "We've never reduced staff because of a decrease in student fees. The only reductions that have been made are in the general fund at the state level."

Not all departments have had positive results from the enroll-

ment decline. According to Ed Chambers, associate vice president of Admissions and Records, some departments will be closed to new applicants for Fall '94.

"We've had departments that have determined to close for the fall, but we are still taking applications," Chambers said.

The nursing and science conservation departments are not accepting applications for Fall '94. Engineering is closed to all non-residents. Degrees such as a masters in social science, baccalaureate and masters degrees

in occupational therapy will not be available after Feb. 15. The MBA program will not accept applications for the fall semester after June 1.

According to the "Selected Academic Program Information" book, the number of students at SJSU should be on the rise. With the increase of California citizens, by the 1997-98 academic year, it is estimated that 23,400 FTE students will attend SJSU. This is a 19.3 percent increase from the 19,617 FTE students in 1992-93.

Safety

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According to UPD spokesperson Bruce Lowe, the category of assault is broken down into two categories.

Aggravated assault requires substantial bodily harm, usually requiring stitches, broken bones or hospitalization.

Simple assault does not involve dangerous weapons or substantial bodily harm.

Seven of the assaults at SJSU were classified as aggravated assaults last year. These statistics will be updated to include the end of the year by next month.

Lowe feels the statistics can be misinterpreted. He feels campuses may have individual differences in the way they categorize crimes.

Both kinds of assault, both simple and aggravated, are included in the violent crime statistics. A higher percentage of assaults at SJSU fall into the simple assault category.

Lowe felt SJSU compares favorably to other campuses in the areas of car and property theft and vandalism.

The greatest increase in crime in the CSU system in 1992 involved weapons possession, drug abuse violations and sex offenses not including rape, stat-

ed a letter to campus presidents from the CSU Chancellor's Office.

Liquor law violations reflected the largest decrease in the CSU system as a whole. However, liquor law violations have skyrocketed at SJSU from 4 incidents in 1990 to 42 incidents in 1993.

UPD documented 15 stolen cars in 1993. These numbers are much lower than at other CSU campuses of similar size. SDSU reported the highest number of stolen cars at 146.

There were three reported rapes on campus last year. Other CSU campuses had similarly low figures. CSU Long Beach had five reported rapes. Lowe felt these numbers did not nearly approximate the true incidence of rape on campuses.

"It is estimated that one in four or one in six women will be raped while in college," he said. "Clearly the numbers (of reported cases) don't add up."

Lowe said UPD had a good record of arresting rape suspects, but prosecutors often don't take the case to court.

Lowe said "the best and most cost-effective way of reducing crime is to get the public involved."

PLAYING TO A DIFFERENT TUNE



Junior improvised music major Brady Fishler practices odd time rhythms Tuesday in the music department's percussion rehearsal room. Fishler, who has been playing since he was two years old, is a member of the World Jazz Ensemble.

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Southwest museum to stay put in L.A.

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The Southwest Museum ended a three-year search for a new location and will stay put at its Mount Washington site, swayed by a city offer to help it expand, executive director Thomas Wilson said.

The museum board had received more than 80 offers from other cities, including a Fillmore rancher's bid to donate 20 acres and a Chumash burial

ground.

The city promised to support bond issues to fund museum expansion and secure a museum stop on the Blue Line light rail extension, Wilson said Tuesday.

Founded in 1907, the Southwest houses a renowned 250,000-piece collection of Native American art, only 5 percent of which is on display because of space limitations.

It has been located at Mount

Washington, in northeast Los Angeles, since 1914 and draws 60,000 visitors a year.

The museum launched a search for a new home three years ago because of lack of space and its relatively out-of-the-way location.

It attracted 80 offers, but that number dwindled when the directors said they would need at least \$35 million to erect a new building.

White house to provide funds for cops

WASHINGTON (AP) — Five California cities will share in \$2.2 million in grants announced by President Clinton Wednesday, to hire community police officers.

A total of \$26.3 million in community police grants nationwide were announced by the White House.

The grants will help hire or rehire 364 police officers, the White House said. Clinton announced the grants in a conference call with mayors from Chicago, Cleveland, Seattle and San Bernardino, Calif.

The grants are the second round awarded under the Justice Department's Police Hiring Supplemental program.

California cities receiving grants and the number of officers to be added:

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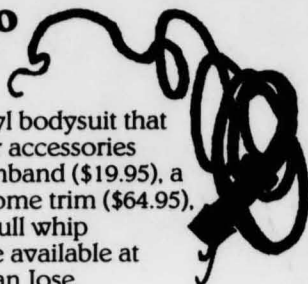
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PERSPECTIVES

Valentine's Day is coming — oh joy! How I love the sweeter-than-candy holiday. Couples all across this great nation will be exchanging kisses, hugs, body fluids, and oh yeah, flowers. Yet I can't help but be a little hesitant to celebrate a day centered around love.

V-Day is set up to cause trouble. You see, guys really don't know what they're supposed to do, or should I say expected to do, on that day. Men from all walks of life will agree they have yet to understand their roles.

Well guys, here's your chance to learn. If you have a girlfriend, you take her out and treat her like the goddess she is. If you're dating someone, you take her out and treat her like the goddess she is. If you have a female friend who'll be alone,

and you're alone, you take her out and treat her like the goddess she is. Get the idea?

Women want to feel appreciated; they want to feel as if they're the most important part of your life — even if they aren't. They want to have romantic surprises, getaways, and even a love letter or two.

Lucky for guys, women are cursed with the need to give. Holiday after holiday, especially V-Day, we make cookies and buy cute little gifts for our significant others, only to be faced with that "oh, we were exchanging gifts?" look.

How pathetic can it get? How many more clues do you guys need? Stop watching ESPN; Chris Berman and his nicknames can wait. Make it a quick read in the bathroom and get out there and do something

for your lady.

I know there are those who are saying, "I just don't have the money to treat my goddess how she deserves to be treated." Wrong! Oh, as if I haven't heard that excuse before. Take her on a picnic by the ocean. Make her a romantic dinner by candlelight. Give her a massage with soft music in the background.

If you guys haven't caught on yet, it's pretty much a guarantee that the female will do something for you on V-Day, so you better have something planned. Take this as a warning, a threat, or any way you please. But if you flake on Monday, you can bet that you won't be "pleased" for quite a while.

Kristin Lomax



I'll be celebrating my fourth Valentine's Day with the same woman this year. Considering all the other lonely souls that suffer through this day, I guess I should feel lucky and complete, but I don't.

The pressure of selecting an appropriate gift or choosing a romantic restaurant or card has finally overwhelmed me.

If a woman simply wears some sexy lingerie and kicks down some uninhibited sex, she has satisfied her man. Guys don't give a damn about gifts or sappy greeting cards. We just want to get our rocks off and move on to the 15th day of the month. Even if an unfortunate menstrual quirk stymies the festivities, a smart woman can still use her head to overcome this glitch.

Men don't have it so easy. Wives and girlfriends expect to be showered with flowers, perfume, candies, expensive dinners, emotional cards, and, occasionally, lingerie. To simply offer a heart-felt, homemade card will get you nowhere. There must be a monetary commitment if you plan to have any sex. A single 7-11 rose might get you a handjob, if you're lucky. Tickets to a monster truck pull will leave you and your scrotum blue. These are the facts, my friend.

I've played this game many times before. One year it was perfume, the next year a nice dinner — it just never seems to end. All those homeless men wandering the streets aren't mentally ill. They're sane survivors of the Valentine's Day

battlefield. They don't have to worry about reservations or brushing their teeth. Their girlfriends are named Thunderbird and Nighttrain and they don't bitch about five o'clock shadows. Wise men indeed.

Alas, I'm obligated to give something to my old lady or risk the likely retribution of castration while I sleep. It happens.

Maybe a three-speed, 10-inch vibrator would do the trick. A trip to the plastic surgeon for penis-enlargement surgery almost sounds easier than having flowers delivered. Regardless, if I gave her the moon she'd still complain that it was too dark half the time. Men can't win. We can only hope to survive.

Larry Barrett

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Many men diagnosed with testicular cancer, a low sperm count or infertility now have the option to ensure successful insemination for their mates.

Although survival rates are up for diseases such as testicular cancer and Hodgkin's disease, one of the adverse effects of treatment for a majority of men is temporary or permanent sterility. Semen freezing is one way that some of these men can ensure their semen will survive to fertilize an egg. By using their own cryopreserved semen, these men may still be able to father children.

Most men's semen can be preserved for many years with only a minimal loss in fertility potential. The oldest frozen human sperm to be successfully inseminated was stored for 18 years.

Cryobank, Inc. in Palo Alto performs the semen freezing and initial storage for about \$470. Cryobank obtains a fresh semen specimen and performs a comprehensive computerized analysis to determine fertility potential. A cryo-protectant is then added to help prevent sperm damage during the freezing. The semen is placed in individual vials and frozen in liquid nitrogen storage tanks at -196°C , freezing the metabolic activity of the sperm.

Cryobank charges \$133 for freezing the semen, \$215 for the first year of storage and \$120 for blood tests that check for AIDS, hepatitis B, syphilis and other diseases.

Pacific Reproductive Services charges \$260 for the initial semen deposit and first year's storage. A semen analysis, blood test and semen wash is performed prior to the freezing process. The first year's stor-

age rate is \$120 and each additional year is \$160.

A semen wash is done to remove the impurities from the semen. In order to cleanse it, the semen must be placed in a centrifuge for ten minutes. The semen is separated from the impurities, placed again in the centrifuge and frozen.

Pacific Reproductive Services is more of a full-service sperm bank than Cryobank and many others. Cryobank does not do the actual inseminations but Pacific Reproductive Services does. PRS performs the regular insemination and the intra-uterine method.

According to Emily Brooke of Pacific Reproductive Services, about 95 percent of PRS clientele are lesbians and about 90 percent of those are lesbian couples. The remaining five percent of PRS clientele are married couples, men undergoing treatment for cancer and men with fertility problems.

In contrast, about 75 percent of Cryobank's clients are married couples with fertility problems and about 25 percent of the clients are single women in their late 30s or 40s who want to have children, according to Ronda Wilkin, Marketing Director of Cryobank, Inc.

"The majority of our men patients choose to store semen because they are getting ready to have a vasectomy done, cancer patients who run the risk of becoming sterile after their treatment for cancer or men in high risk occupations such as construction workers or professional ath-

letes," Wilkin says.

Women who wish to purchase sperm from a sperm bank must do so with the consultation of a physician.

"We do not advocate home inseminations. The client must be in the care of a physician and the specimen will be shipped to the physician's office," Wilkin says.

"Prior to insemination, the client must make an appointment and come in for an introductory visit," Brooke says.

"Blood tests are done and the general health of the client is evaluated," she says. After these steps have been taken, the insemination can be performed, either at the clinic or at home.

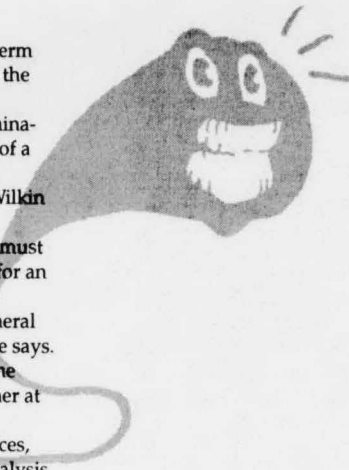
Sperm banks provide many services, including semen freezing, semen analysis, sperm washes, sex selection, sperm antibody tests and infertility profiles. Some of the sperm banks even provide self-insemination classes, have professional advising available and will ship specimens throughout the US and most major cities throughout the world.

In addition, men may choose to donate their semen to the bank. The donors must make an appointment with the clinic, get the blood tests and personal background completed and then, if they are healthy and free of disease, they may donate. The procedure for donating is as simple as going to the bathroom.

The clinic gives the man a sterile dish and shows him to a room. After ejaculation, the donor returns the occupied dish to the physician and the semen is analyzed and frozen.

Standing in a dimly lit room holding a petri dish may not be the most romantic way to preserve the future, but sperm banks are proving to be instrumental in accommodating the needs of people who desire children but are unable to produce them.

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BONDAGE



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Fetish Fun Wear

Leather, whips, collars and chains have left the underground world of fetish to tempt the girl next door. Bondage was esoteric 30 years ago — a hidden fancy for those in the know.

Today it has emerged from the boudoir and dimly lit basements. Bondage stores cater to students, professionals, the well-educated and discriminating couples.

In bondage, the line has blurred between clothing and equipment. Leather cuffs on strong iron bars limit movement, yet open the mind to exploration.

Hang from the ceiling or wait, shackled in anticipation. These products are limited only by the imagination.

Light forms of bondage include soft restraints and hand mitts. Sensory deprivation, a different approach, can be achieved through the use of hoods to limit vision.

"Bondage is almost totally psychological," says Tony Da Costa, part-owner of Leather Masters.

Leather Masters, near downtown San Jose, caters to the local bondage crowd. The store has been around since 1990 and originally sold primarily to the gay community.

After Leather Masters started advertising, their cus-

tomers became very diverse. Da Costa says at least 50 percent of their business is from the heterosexual market. Ages of customers range from 18 years old to near 70.

Business does well right before Valentine's Day. Da Costa sees men and women buying products for their partners and couples shopping for each other.

Although some stores cater to specific genders, understanding bondage requires one to set aside notions of gender. Bondage clothing is not gender specific.

Most of Da Costa's steady stream of customers are primarily interested in the lighter side of bondage. He estimated that 25 percent of his customers have been drawn into the deeper scene.

Bondage equipment is not cheap. A simple pair of handcuffs can cost up to \$40. More elaborate devices, such as an adjustable yoke, posture bar or adjustable spreader bar start around \$70.

The adjustable yoke holds the neck still with a strong leather collar while binding the hands. The purpose of the posture bar is to keep the back arched. The adjustable spreader bar is often used to keep the legs spread and comes in a variety of widths.

Restraints are some of the most popular items

Leather Masters sells.

"Last month it was restraints, this month it's collars," said George Laskaris, a Leather Masters employee. He had a row of leather collars in front of him on the worktable, in the process of being made.

Bondage has traveled from the taboo to the fringe.

"Most people are lightly intrigued and a little horrified," says Torun Harrah, manager of the specialty store Camouflage.

Harrah thinks bondage is a lot more accepted now.

"For Joe Public, it's a lot more out there. You see nipple clamps in Madonna movies," she says.

Interest in bondage has remained remarkably steady over the years.

"There is a certain percentage of people, large enough to support six stores in this city, who are interested in fetish," says Jenne Blade, who works at Stormy Leather in San Francisco.

"The interest is everywhere," she says. "Bondage is a loving exchange of sexuality. The people involved are warm, normal people."

Dhyana Wood



Watching her man "Jake" (a mannequin), "Sarina" keeps a mirror steady. She is wearing a leather jacket that sells for \$299.95. "Jake" is wearing leather boxers that sell for \$99.95, a leather vest for \$79.95, a leather flogger for \$36.95 and a latex hood for \$79.95.



"Sarina" gets "Jake" (a mannequin) in a choke hold with her leather flogger. The flogger sells for \$49.95.



Left: "Sarina" walks with a dominant attitude, as she looks "fun." She wears a vinyl body-suit which goes for \$38.95. Her accessories are a leather armband for \$19.95, leather cap with chrome trim which sells for \$64.95, and a six-foot long bull-whip for \$49.95.

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Valentine Vasectomy

What is the most loving gift a guy could give his girl on Valentine's Day? Flowers, cards and poems are all too ordinary and don't really last. But a vasectomy, on the other hand, is the gift that keeps on giving. At least that's true according to Les U. Knight, writer and editor of "These Exit Times" in Oregon.

The newsletter will sponsor a drawing for a free vasectomy on the famed Feb. 14. The winner will be drawn by chance and will be awarded a vasectomy, performed using the no-scalpel technique — the most modern method. If desired, \$200 will be applied toward another method or doctor.

This Valentine's Day, "These Exit Times" will pay for a vasectomy for the lucky man who believes, as Knight does, that a vasectomy is the gift that says "I love you" every time it's used.

"Not enough people associate Valentine's Day with love, and a vasectomy is an act of love," Knight says. "There are so many female-based contraceptives. They don't seem to care what they stick up a woman. It is a responsible choice as well as a safe one to choose a vasectomy."

In a world filled with species going extinct, children dying of hunger and the rapid erosion of the earth's surface, maybe it would be humane for some men to quit reproducing at a rate that will cover the crust of the earth within a century. There is a voluntary human extinction movement starting and getting a Valentine's vasectomy is a step in that direction.

"I think you'll find that phasing out the human race will increase your chances of success," says Les U. Knight.

Theodore M. Schmidt

African Pride



Ken Statham—etc.

Omar Nelson, public relations chair of the African Step Show council, rehearses for the upcoming show. His group will perform this Sunday.

"Its purpose is to get people interested and hyped about the weekend and to bring college students and potential college students together."

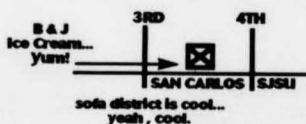
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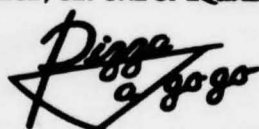


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The 16th annual African Step Show weekend is coming to SJSU. Every year during African awareness month, members of black fraternities and sororities engage in rhythmic hand clapping and calculated foot stomping known as "stepping".

"Stepping," also known as "marching," is a form of traditional African ritual. Members of the nine African Greek-letter organizations will put their skills to the test and compete against each other in the weekend's major event—the step show.

The step show is one of many events that takes place this weekend.

The fun begins with the Unity Fest on Friday. The Unity Fest is a rally-type event.

"Its purpose is to get people interested and hyped about the weekend and to bring college students and potential college students together," says Omar Nelson, public relations chair of the

African Step Show council.

The evening will consist of a talent show, dating game and a guest speaker.

The unity doesn't stop there. On Saturday, those who can play "hoop" will get together and dribble to the basketball tournament at the women's gym on campus. It is open to both Greek and non-Greek basketball players. Trophies will be awarded to winners of the tournament.

The fun continues Saturday night from 9:30 p.m. to 2 a.m. in the Student Union Ballroom where the Pre-Step Show dance occurs. During the bash, Step Show participants will give the crowd a taste of what to expect at the actual show.

Most people will be looking forward to Sunday—the day of the step show. The Step Show begins at 2 p.m. and continues until 6 p.m.

Because the theme of African Awareness Month is the "Art of Struggle" The stepers will compete with

"Climb to the 21st Century" in mind.

Their 10-minute routine will be judged on appearance, crowd response, sportsmanship, difficulty, execution and how well the theme is incorporated into their performances. Judges will be people who are familiar with the art of stepping, but are not affiliated with any of the nine African Greek organizations.

According to Nelson, the step show is positive entertainment and will hopefully be motivational for high school students.

"We hope that people will see something different and new," he said. "If people haven't seen stepping before it will definitely be new and hopefully they'll like it."

The final event of the weekend is the step show dance. Winners of the basketball tournament and step show will be announced and trophies will be awarded.

Joan Burke

Random Prattle

➤ This is a Valentine's Day diatribe where the operative syllable in the phrase is "die." I don't mean to imply death in its human sense, rather the idea that when something is pronounced dead-a thought, a theory, a philosophy-it ceases to retain any of its previously admirable validity.

The '90s will see the death of Valentine's Day. In an era of hyper-political correctness where the term "girl" is met with mordant abhorrence, how can people perpetuate the celebration of a holiday that mocks those who lack a significant other? "Singles bashing" is what Feb. 14 is all about.

It's not as if husbands and wives, boyfriends and girlfriends can't celebrate their devotion every day of the year. Instead, bachelor and bachelorettes are taunted with images of hearts, cupids and couples brazenly display their affection in restaurants, movie theaters and every other place where singles may be wallowing in solitude.

This overt discrimination of single people must end. The death of the pagan ritual must commence. But as I am no deity myself, I can only offer a list of alternatives to the snuggling and rose-scented Hallmark cards. Singles, pay attention.

- Read a book. Stay away from poetry or romance novels. Instead, try a cookbook. Fake it, no one's cooking for you

tonight.

- Go to a movie. It's dark and you can always set your coat on the adjacent seat as if saving it for that expected loved one.

● Point out to all your friends currently in a relationship that St. Valentine was actually two people of the same name. One was a Roman priest martyred during the reign of Claudius. The other, a bishop of Terni, was also martyred in Rome. However, it's possible that the

two people are perhaps two different accounts of the same story.

In either case, the modern ver-

sion of Valentine's Day seems associated more with a pagan Roman festival of the Lupercalia which took place in the middle of February (this ties into the aforementioned "read a book" suggestion).

- Run naked through the streets singing the national anthem in Latin. Sure, the cops will drag you in

but, hey, you won't be alone on Valentine's Day. You can always snuggle up to Bubba.

- Seek affirmation from others that you are either too busy or too carefree to be caught up in one of those relationship things.
- Read this column over and over until you find yourself actually buying into all this cynicism.

Random Prattle

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THE JOY OF SEX

For women who feel their sex lives could be jazzed up a little, the Process Therapy Institute in Los Gatos offers a "Joyful Sexuality" group for women. The purpose of the women's group is to provide a supportive environment to update beliefs and behaviors involving sexuality. *Process Therapy Institute, Los Gatos, 6 to 7:30 p.m., Tickets \$30, 408/358-2218 ext.402 and ext. 461.*

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HOMELESS PORTRAIT

Next time you're scrounging for change to give the 7-11 pan-handlers, don't bother grumbling. Just think about the contributions the homeless make to society. What contributions? The SJSU Student Union Gallery is presenting an exhibit of 30 prints and pastels created by San Jose homeless adults during art workshops conducted at St. Joseph Cathedral this past summer. *SJSU Student Union Gallery, 408/924-6330.*

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TRASH OR TREASURE?

If you're curious about just how much those oil paintings your great aunt left you might fetch on the open market, here's your chance to find out. The art appraisal firm of Butterfield & Butterfield will hold a fine art and antiques appraisal day at the San Jose Museum of Art. Appraisers specializing in furniture and decorative arts, jewelry and timepieces, fine paintings and American, European and contemporary prints will be available. *San Jose Museum of Art, 110 S. Market, 10 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4 p.m., \$5 appraisal fee per item, 408/294-2787.*

HALF JAPANESE

If you want to learn to play the guitar well enough in one day to cut a record, help awaits. "Half Japanese: The Band That Would Be King" chronicles the band and captures a rare glimpse of the scruffy fringes of the music industry. The documentary tells the story of Jad and David Fair, two brothers who started a band in their basement without any musical training, and includes old and new performance footage. *Red Victorian Movie House, 1727 Haight St., San Francisco, Call for tickets and showtimes, 415/751-3129.*

PERSONALITIES OF LOVE

Authors Janet Thuesen and Otto Kroeger apply their type-watching techniques to helping men and women better understand each other's similarities and differences in their new book, "16 Ways to Love Your Lover: Understanding the 16 Personality Types So You Can Create a Love that Lasts a Lifetime." Try to say that ten times really fast. Also authors of "Type Talk" and "Type Talk at Work," Thuesen and Kroeger will appear at A Clean Well-Lighted Place for Books in Cupertino to discuss their newest research. *A Clean Well-Lighted Place for Books, 21269 Stevens Creek Blvd., Cupertino, 2 p.m., 408/255-7600.*

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SOULS

New York City has forever been the breeding ground for underground musical genius. Quicksand and Barkmarket have been pushing the boundaries of punk rock while Biohazard is taking thrash metal out of the hands of big time sellouts (read: Megadeth) and returns it to its most aggressive state.

While the alternative music press battles to give these bands the recognition they deserve, it is ultimately up to the consumer masses to grant them success, at least on a per capita level. They latched onto Helmet as the premiere riff-rock outfit. In fact, a majority of them are still pulling splinters from their fingers after leaping onto the bandwagon. Well, bandage those appendages because the wagon is coming around again.

Well before Helmet graced the airwaves of the pop culture monolith, MTV, two C.B.G.B. employees were redefining metal, creating a sound that just now is beginning to resonate through the musings of today's sludgerockers. Guitarist Tommy Victor and bassist Mike Kirkland recruited ex-Swans stickman Ted Parsons to form Prong.



In the late '80s, metal bands were going soft, punk was going through some less than exciting evolution and Madonna just didn't have that oomph. Enter Prong and their brand of driving, syncopated staccato-rock. They possessed what the others were lacking: anger, sweat and some downright evil riffing.

However, their musical premonitions weren't embraced by the masses. After all, it wasn't spoon-fed to them. Having their music as the backdrop to the Headbangers Ball credits was hardly enough to garner them massive exposure. Even after subsequent tours with metal icon Ozzy Osbourne, Black Sabbath and Soundgarden, people just weren't getting it.

If Prong's new release, "Cleansing," does get through to them, then they are beyond help. The trio replaced Kirkland with Troy Gregory and eventually recruited Paul Raven. But the lineup and the album needed more. John Bechdel from Killing Joke brought his sampling prowess to Prong's best album yet.

Unfortunately, the minute a band includes a programmer, they are immediately tagged as an industrial crossover outfit. This couldn't be farther from the truth in Prong's case. Bechdel's additions are not the gratuitous beeps and scrapes of his peers. This is not the record-some-machinery-and-make-it-a-melody sampling of Prong's industrial core peers. The samples are purely complimentary, playing a more subdued role in the music.

Undoubtedly, they will be branded with the scarlet "i." Even so, "Cleansing" is still a thrash album, like it or not. Most would wager on the "like" assessment considering the album is in full fist-banging form throughout.

"Whose Fist Is This Anyway?" carries a single opening riff through several changes, never losing its bottom-heavy fury.



"Snap Your Fingers, Snap Your Neck" exhibits Parsons' and Raven's airtight musicianship. At the climax, the song shifts to a double-time chorus so effortlessly, the listener inadvertently reverts back to senior year and bangs that head that does not bang.

If the music itself wasn't enough to carry Prong out of the monotony of today's metal scene, Victor's lyrics have matured at an exponential rate. Gone are the clichés of "Beg To Differ" and "Prove You Wrong." From wordplay to the splintering of the Eastern Bloc countries, the singer/guitarist's topics are as varied as they are open to interpretation (thus, no lyric sheet is included).

Produced by Terry Date of Soundgarden and Pantera fame, "Cleansing" is destined to leave the masses scratching their helmets in wonder. How come MTV isn't playing Prong videos every half-hour? Why weren't we told how heavy and meaty the album was? Can we like them instead of Alice In Chains now?

Like I said, I don't think they will ever understand. Buy it and relish in the fact that you are oh so cutting edge.

Paul Wotel

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